

**MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2005 AT 7PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Present: Cllr Robert Russell (Chairman), Cllr Andrew Brewer (Vice Chairman), Cllr John Manuel, Cllr Elaine Stenning, Cllr Richard Peacocke, Cllr Claire Harriss, Cllr Terrie Connor and Cllr Sue Bradley

Also: Present: County Councillor D Crowhurst, District Councillors Teresa Seall and Daniel Smy.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS** None to report.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD** None requested

**REPORTS BY DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

Cllr Crowhurst's report is attached at Annex A to the main and library copy of these minutes.

Cllr Seall's report is attached at Annex B to the main and library copy of these minutes.

Cllr Smy reported that WDDC had reviewed their policy on Village Hall's discretionary rate relief and confirmed that this relief will continue. On the matter of extending opening times for public houses Cllr Smy informed those present that between 5 and 7% of establishments had not yet applied for extending opening times. The application by the Tavern Social Club has been heard and the concerns of local residents were noted. Poverty amongst children living in urban areas was the subject of a seminar chaired by Cllr Smy in London. Cllr Smy ended his report confirming that Magna Housing Associated had started on a major, £50,000 investment programme in Crossways by improving car parking in Hope Close and fencing in Mount Skippet Way.

**REPORT BY COMMUNITY POLICE** CSO Nick Bourne reporting on the problems with youths gathering in Pauls Way play area asked that age limiting signs be put up. The Clerk was instructed to expedite as soon as possible. Nick Bourne reported that there were now two CSOs operating in Dorset and he would be operating in Crossways both in a vehicle and on foot. He perceived that at present the problems areas had improved slightly. Cllr Russell thanked CSO Bourne for his efforts in Crossways.

**REPORTS BY SCHOOL GOVERNORS** Cllr Brewer reported that he, with Helen Boyce, Head Teacher at Owermoigne School had visited the new school site to view the progress made to date. Cllr Brewer reported that the build was on schedule for completion in Spring 2006. It was noted that consideration must be given to after-school clubs and children that at present bus out to schools will now be home sooner which could present a problem to working parents. Discussions are being held with Sure Start. Cllr Brewer mentioned that the school was having difficulty getting a post code, the Clerk was asked to assist. Cllr Brewer ended his report by passing on an invitation from Helen Boyce to all Councillors to visit the site and inviting all to visit the school web site.

ACTION: CLERK

**THE MEETING**

**ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Apologies were received from Councillors Round, Dullaway and Chubb.

**ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** No declarations of interest were declared.

**ITEM 3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record and duly signed.

**ITEM 4 MATTERS ARISING** There were no matters arising.

**ITEM 5 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

a. Police Matters Cllr Russell reported incidences of youths on motor scooters and motor bikes causing great nuisance which have been passed to the Community Police Officer for action.

b. Village Plan Cllr Russell acknowledged receipt of the Village Plan from the Village Plan Steering Group. Cllr Russell noted that of the eight items of the action plan the Parish Council has in action or has actioned 7.5 of them.

**ITEM 6 CONSIDER ATTENDANCE AT SMP PLAYGROUNDS SEMINAR AND AGREE EXPENSES TO ATTEND** It was agreed that that Cllr Stenning and the Clerk would attend.

**ITEM 7 CONSIDER ATTENDANCE AT DAPTC (DORSET ASSOCIATION OF PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS) AGM SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AT 10.00AM** Cllr Brewer agreed to attend.

**ITEM 8 REPORT PLANNING DECISION FOR THE MULTI USE GAMES AREA** Not received prior to meeting.

**ITEM 9 AGREE MEETING DATE WITH MS KAREN BENNETT AND CHILDREN'S FORUM IF NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM MS BENNETT** Not received prior to meeting.

**ITEM 10 RECEIVE REPORT FROM YOUTH CLUB MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING (CLLR DULLAWAY)** This meeting has been postponed until November 8<sup>th</sup>.

**ITEM 11 AGREE TO SIGN A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES BILL**  
It was proposed by Cllr Russell, seconded by Cllr Brewer and agreed by all that the Council support this resolution.

AGREED

**ITEM 12 TO RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORT BY RACHELLE SMITH DCA** Noted.

**ITEM 13 TO AGREE DONATION TO THE BRITISH LEGION FOR THE POPPY DAY APPEAL IN PAYMENT FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL'S WREATH TO BE LAID AT THE REMEMBRANCE SERVICES** It was proposed by Cllr Brewer, seconded by Cllr Stenning that the Council donate £35.00 to the poppy day appeal.

AGREED

**ITEM 14 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEES 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2005 AND TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES:**

**a. AMENITIES – Page 345-346** The Minutes of the Amenities Committee dated 10<sup>th</sup> October 2005 were presented by Cllr Stenning and duly accepted.

**b. PLANNING – Page 217** The Minutes of the Planning Committee were presented by Cllr Russell and duly accepted.

**c. FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION – Page 138** The Minutes of the Finance & Administration Committee were presented by Cllr Brewer and duly accepted.

**ITEM 15 TO NOTE AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE FOR THE PREVIOUS MONTH (SEPTEMBER 29<sup>th</sup> – OCTOBER 27<sup>th</sup> INC)** Expenditure and Income was noted and approved as follows:

	Income	Expenditure
Reimbursement damage to Bus Shelter	32.10	
Frome Valley Archers Hire of Sports Field	150.00	
Century 21 Hire of Photocopier		105.75
Salary Clerk		714.67
Inland Revenue PAYE		174.51
Rates (Pavilion)		61.00
Rent Village Hall		42.00
Annual Service Fire Extinguishers		17.63
Record Playgrounds – Cradle Swing		142.76
Fees and expenses – Internal Auditor		142.40
Architect Fee MUGA		947.71
S Manuel – Grass Cutting Agency and CPC		622.00
Litter Collector		145.80
British Legion – Poppy Day Appeal		35.00

**ITEM 16 ANY LATE URGENT ITEMS** Cllr Brewer reported that the Council had received an e mail from Colin Chainey on behalf of the Dorset Football Association saying *"I have been asked by Mrs S Hough, Chief Executive of the Dorset FA, at your request, to arrange a site visit to Crossways Sports Field. I would be willing to undertake the visit myself, however on Saturday 22 October 2005, I myself walked across the playing surface of the playing field in Dick o' th' Banks Road; whilst I understand there are problems with flints and such like in the top soil, it has to be said that the surface area must be one of the flattest of its kind in the County. As a former Secretary of Moreton Football Club I am well aware of the facilities provided in the Pavillion at Crossways, and therefore know that it meets all the criteria laid down for the Dorset Senior League. I attach a copy of the Criteria for your information"* The Clerk was requested to inform football clubs and cricket teams of this report. The Council accepted this as a positive report.

POST MEETING NOTE – The Council received notification from Alan Brown, Chairman of Crossways Football Club following his communications with Colin Chainey, that this e mail did not imply that the pitch was suitable for play. This matter remains unresolved.

**ITEM 17 CONFIRMATION OF DATE OF NEXT MEETING (THURSDAY 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** Confirmed.

Signed ..... (Chairman) ..... 2005